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Town Hall joins list of buildings in peril

Renovation works worth crores of rupees caught in legal wrangles

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Feb. 20- The undue delay in the renovation of the famed century-old Town Hall — Sri Rangacharlu Memorial Hall — is costing the heritage building dear and it has joined the list of neglected heritage structures in Mysuru.

If the neglect continues and if repairs are not taken up immediately, the building is destined to meet the fate of Lansdowne Building, Devaraja Market, Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade Office and Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion. Ironically, the area around the iconic Mysore Palace and the Town Hall has been identified as a 'Core Heritage Zone'.

The Town Hall now bears an uninviting look with construction material strewn all over its premises. Renovation works are yet to be completed as the contractor had abandoned the project allegedly due to non-payment of bills.

(See TOWN HALL on page 9)

Mysore Varsity, a career hub for aspiring youngsters

Upskilling initiative gets good response; University plans to extend to rural areas

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (GA&BCT)- The Career Hub that was established in the University of Mysore has got good response from youths seeking skills and they have enhanced their job placements. Buoyed by the response, the University is planning to take the Career Hub initiative to rural areas also.

This one-of-its-kind initiative focuses on bringing employment opportunities for the youths while on the other hand extending the opportunity to measure the skill set required to succeed in particular career paths.

The Career Hub was launched in 2021 August with the funds from the Centre under Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA). It is a pioneering initiative that aims at upskilling youth and enhancing job placements. It bridges the demand and supply gap of talent.

Increased chances of employability

In today's competitive job market, an increasing number of employers expect students to be equipped better.

The Career Hub is involved in supporting students by giving them practical experience and increasing the chances of employability.

(See VARSITY on page 9)

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health Nuggets

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 20th February 2022

Applications invited under Ganga Kalyana Scheme

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SSM) - D. Devaraj Urs Backward Classes Community Development Corporation has invited applications from eligible small and micro farmers belonging to Backward Class Community — Category-1, 2A, 3A, 3B (barring Vishwakarma, Uppara, Ambiga, Savita, Madiwala, Kadugolla, nomadic and semi-nomadic communities, Vokkaliga, Lingayat, Maratha and other sub castes) — for availing loans and subsidies under Ganga Kalyana Scheme for the year 2021-22.

Applicants must have a minimum of 2 to 5 acre land and their annual income should not exceed Rs. 40,000. They must own at least one acre of land in Dakshina Kannada, Udupi, Uttara Kannada, Kodagu, Hassan, Chikkamagalur or Shivamogga without any irrigation facilities.

An amount of Rs. 2.50 lakh loan is fixed for 24 districts for sinking borewell out of which Rs. 2 lakh is financial assistance and Rs. 50,000 is the loan amount with 4 percent interest. For sinking borewells in Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru Rural, Ramanagara, Chikkaballapura, Kolar and Tumakuru Districts, Rs. 4 lakh is the fixed loan amount out of which Rs. 3.50 lakh is the financial assistance and Rs. 50,000 is the loan amount with 4 percent interest under the Ganga Kalyana Scheme.

For individual borewells in Coastal and Malnad districts irrigation facility will be provided through open wells under the prescribed cost. For details, log on to *https://dbcdc.karnataka.gov.in/english* or contact helpline: 080-22374832 or District Office on Ph: 0821-2341194.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The Bhagwad Gita is about the ability of the underdog to achieve the impossible against all odds. The world demands excellence, peak performance from you 24/7. It is not enough for a sportsman to perform exceptionally well just once. A musician has to excel at every concert. Yet the enigma of fluent performance baffles us. How is it that you perform outstandingly well sometimes and fail miserably at other times? You are not the same person always. At times you are lazy, indifferent and careless. Every now and then you are clouded by greed and anger. And rarely, there are moments when you are in the 'zone'. At peace, totally focussed, perfect. How do you ensure you are at your best when you need it most?

The Bhagwad Gita holds a mirror before you and explains the three grades of thought textures that make all humans – sattva, purity; rajas, passion; and tamas, apathy. Tamas is like trying to drive a sports car with the ignition off. Overcome with inertia and laziness your talent and abilities lie dormant. Rajas is like driving with one foot on the accelerator and the other on the brake. Your energy and vitality get slowed down by desire, lust and ego. Sattva is the superlative state which is like taking off in a spacecraft. You are inspired by a higher ideal. The mind is calm, intellect clear and action perfect. You gain success, happiness and grow to your potential.

All humans have all three gunas, traits, in different proportions. The objective is to develop your sattvic content, refine rajas and declare war on tamas. You need to understand how they function and how to deal with them. The mission of life is to go beyond the three gunas and get liberated from the traumatic cycle of birth, death, decay and sorrow. You are born in the world only to attain immortality. Understand the three gunas and how they function. Promote your best qualities. Control the force of desire. Make a determined effort to eliminate lethargy. And observe the effect in your life. When you see the play of the gunas and remain undisturbed by their effects, you go beyond to the state of enlightenment. — *Jaya Row in The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

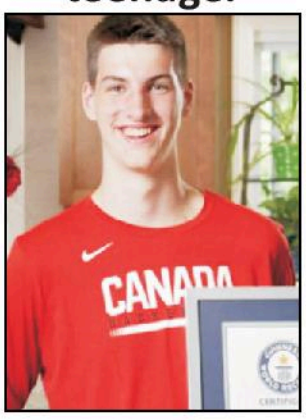
World's dangerous bird was raised 18,000 years ago

Florida: The cassowary — touted as the "world's most dangerous bird" due to its long, dagger-like toe — was the earliest bird reared by humans, according to a new study.

The cassowary is considered the most dangerous bird in the world!. Each 3-toed foot has a dagger-like claw on the toe up to 4 inches (10 centimeters) long! The new study found that 18,000 years ago, humans in New Guinea had found a way to raise the flightless birds.

Besides their physical ability to kill humans, they're highly territorial and aggressive by nature, too. It's not just their "potential" to kill that has the researchers baffled — a cassowary did kill an individual in Florida just in 2019 and it is not the first time a cassowary has killed an individual.

Basketballer is world's tallest teenager



Florida: A Florida High School's star basketball player is declared as the tallest teenager in the world who is 7-foot, 5.33-inch height.

Olivier Rioux, 15, who hails from Beloeil, Quebec, now attends IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., was named the tallest teenager living by Guinness World Records.

He said his mom is 6 foot 2 and dad is 6 foot 8. He started to grow when he was in 10, 11, 12 grade and was growing fast every week. He was taller than every kid in his school. Rioux's coach, Jeremy Schiller, said the teenager's basketball skills are about more than his height.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Endometriosis is a common long-term (chronic) condition where tissue like the lining of the womb is found elsewhere in the body. While generally found within the pelvic cavity, it's sometimes found in other parts of the body, such as the lungs.

By Dr. Madhura Phatak - Consultant Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Training for budding entrepreneurs

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SSM) - Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood Department (SDEL) and Karnataka Skill Development Corporation (KSDC) in association with Spoorthy Performance Solutions (SPS), Mysuru under Skills Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) Scheme has implemented Nano Entrepreneurship Programme (NEP) for budding entrepreneurs to train them from grassroot level and guide them to achieve their goals.

NEP is an innovative programme by the Government to help the upcoming entrepreneurs to develop and learn skills, also gain business knowledge.

The training programme identifies low-level entrepre-neurs and encourages them to provide special opportunity for women entrepreneurs. The training is imparted by experienced mentors in various fields. The training programme will be free of cost.

The Government will not provide any subsidy to start a business under this programme.

Interested candidates may register their names by contacting Mob: 97415-01631 or email: *nepksdc@gmail.com.*

For details visit *https://www.kaushalkar.com/nep/*, according to a press release.

REALLY...?

- ***Pigeons can fly at altitudes up to and beyond 6,000 feet, and at an average speed of 77.6 mph. The fastest recorded speed is 92.5 mph.***
- ***Pigeons and humans have lived in close proximity for thousands of years. The first recordings of this date back to Mesopotamis, modern Iraq, in 3000 BC.***
- ***Pigeons have excellent hearing abilities. They can detect sounds at far lower frequencies than humans are able to, and can thus hear distant storms and volcanoes.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Interviewer: *What is a skeleton?*
Interviewee: *Sir, skeleton is a person who started dieting, but forgot to stop it!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.69
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.49
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.33
1 Euro	= Rs. 85.08

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	FEBRUARY 18	FEBRUARY 19
Day's Positive Cases	61	64
Total Positive Cases	2,28,996	2,29,060
Day's Discharges	199	98
Total Discharges	2,25,883	2,25,981
Day's Deaths	0	1
Total Deaths	2,554	2,555
Total Active Cases	559	524

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Garbage mismanagement in Ramakrishnanagar

Sir,

I would like to draw the attention of the authorities concerned towards garbage mismanagement issues in our locality.

People throw garbage on the streets during night time. Such garbage creates an unhealthy atmosphere for the residents.

The smell from the wastage is unbearable as they contain toxic gases. The garbage chokes up the drainages in the rainy season. It is especially affecting the health condition of the children and elders.

Garbage bins should be placed at various places, where people can deposit their trash and wastages.

Our complaints are not heard by the people and they keep on throwing the waste items. Therefore, I request the higher authorities to find a lasting solution to this garbage dumping menace.

—K. Santhosh
Ramakrishnanagar
16.2.2022

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti celebrated

The Mysuru District Administration, Kannada and Culture Department and Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharajara Jayanthyotsava Samiti had jointly organised a programme at Kirurangamandira in Kalamandira premises in city yesterday to mark Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti celebrations. Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Dr. B.S. Manjunatha Swamy, former MLA Maruthi Rao Pawar, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa and others offered floral tributes to the portrait of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj on the occasion.

Dr. Ramesh Kumar is new

Director of Bandipur Tiger Reserve

Dr. Malathi is Mysuru Circle Conservator of Forests

Dr. P. Ramesh Kumar (left) being greeted by In-Charge Bandipur Director Dr. V. Karikalan yesterday.

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (MK&KS)- Dr. P. Ramesh Kumar, who was earlier serving as the Conservator of Forests (CF), Headquarters, Bengaluru and transferred as CF and Director of Bandipur National Park, took charge as the new CF from In-Charge Director Dr. V. Karikalan yesterday.

Dr. Malathi

Meanwhile, Dr. Ramesh's wife Dr. Malathi Priya, who was serving as the CF (Vigilance) in Bengaluru, has been transferred as Mysuru Circle CF.

Additional Govt. Pleader Post

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SSM)- As the Additional Government Pleaders working at T. Narasipur taluk have completed their stipulated term, applications have been invited from qualified lawyers to fill the vacant posts of Addl. Govt. Pleaders in the taluk, said Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Bagadi Gautham.

Advocates, who have practiced law for a minimum of seven years, can apply along with their biodata mentioning name, address, educational qualification, details of experience as lawyers along with State Bar Council registration number and experience certificate from local Bar Association. Filled-in application forms must be submitted at the DC's Office before Mar. 8, he added.

Nirantara Kalemane Utsava in city on Feb. 27

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SSM)- Kumar Performing Arts Centre, Mysuru, is organising Nirantara Kalemane Utsava-5 at Kalemane auditorium, M.G. Koppal, Vijayanagar in city on Feb. 27 at 4.30 pm.

The chief guests for the programme will be Dr. Rajeshwari Devi, District Surgeon of District Hospital, Mysuru and Krishna Bangera, Principal of Podar International School, Msuru. There will be a group Bharatanatyam performance by students of Vidu. Guru Nagalakshmi Nagarajan, Founder and Director of Champaka Academy, Mysuru.

Semi Classical music concert by disciples of Vidu. Guru Ramamani, Director of Sri Gauri Music School, Mysuru followed by group Bharatanatyam performance by students of Vidu. Guru Arathi Arun, Founder and Director of Sri Ganesha Sangeetha Nrityalaya, Mysuru.

This will be followed by a group Bharatanatyam performance by disciples of Karnataka Kalashree Guru Dr. Suparna Venkatesh, Founder and Director of Sai Arts International, Bengaluru. For details, contact Mob: 98866-54887.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Matrimonial meet

City's Sri Basaveshwara Vadhu-Varara Vivaha Vedike has organised a matrimonial meet of prospective Veerashaiva-Lingayat brides and bridegrooms at Namana Kalyana Mantap in Krishnamurthypuram at 9 am on Mar. 20. Interested brides and bridegrooms from Mysuru and surrounding places can register at the Vedike Office located at No. 28, Shivapura, Manandawadi Road, Mysuru before Mar. 19. All those who register, can take part in any number of matrimonial meets organised by the vedike until they find a suitable life partner. [Mob: 99727-03737/ 96862-05346].

Coaching classes

Former Karnataka Folklore University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ambalike Hiriyanna will inaugurate the 10-day coaching classes for recruitment of Kannada Language Assistant Professors, organised by City's Jnanabuthi at Lakshmipuram Government High School and PU College premises at 6 pm on Feb. 21. Many resource persons on t will deliver lectures. Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies former Director Prof. D.K. Rajendra will deliver the valedictory address on the evening of Mar. 2. For details, contact Mob: 94481-17455.

Ph.D awardee

B.V. Divyashree has been awarded Ph.D in Computer Science by the UoM for his thesis 'Segmentation of Mammograms for Detection of Malignancy' [Guide: Dr. G. Hemantha Kumar].

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	116.20 feet
Yesterday	:	116.52 feet
Inflow	:	401 cusecs
Outflow	:	4,574 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,279.27 feet
Inflow	:	156 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,925 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,857.10 feet
Inflow	:	74 cusecs
Outflow	:	50 cusecs

Forest officials solve tiger poaching case in Kodagu

- Six persons including Gram Panchayat member arrested
- Guns, snares, scooter, car seized; Tiger claws, skull, bones, whiskers, trapping camera recovered

Madikeri, Feb. 20 (KS)- The Forest Department Officials have solved a tiger poaching case and have arrested six persons including a Gram Panchayat (GP) member besides seizing guns, vehicles and recovering parts of the tiger from them.

Those arrested are Channaiahnakote GP Member Appaji, Rajesh, Harish and Manoj of Maldare village and J.K. Vinu and J.B. Ramesh of Chennagi village.

Details: The Madikeri Forest Mobile Squad personnel, on Feb. 14 had arrested Rajesh, Harish, Vinu and Ramesh, while they were attempting to sell tiger pelt and other parts. They had recovered tiger skin, claws, hind legs and whiskers from them and had handed over the recovered tiger parts to Anechowkur Wildlife Division Officials.

The Anechowkur Wildlife Division Officials, who had registered a case, conducted a search around the house of accused Harish, during which they found the tiger skull and bones which were buried inside the ground. When the Forest staff conducted a search in the houses of GP member Appaji and Manoj, they found the guns which were used in the crime, few claws, whiskers, sandalwood pieces, snares and a camera (used for camera trapping tigers during census) and seized them. The Forest staff also seized a scooter and a car, which was used to transport the tiger parts.

All the accused were produced before a Court which remanded them to judicial custody.

There is information that many others, who were involved in poaching the tiger have gone absconding and the Forest Officials have launched an operation to trace and nab them, according to Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF), Hunsur Wildlife Sub-Division in a press release.

Unidentified body found

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (KS)- Nazarbad Police have found a body of an unidentified elderly man on the footpath, opposite to a hotel on B.N. Road near Sub-Urban Bus Stand in city. The deceased is aged about 60 years and the Police have shifted the body to JSS Hospital mortuary besides registering a case. The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Nazarbad Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418308 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

Accused in stabbing, robbing case gets seven-year jail term

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SBD&KS)- City's 3rd Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to seven years imprisonment after he was found guilty of stabbing a person and making away with cash and mobile phone in 2017.

The convict is Gavisiddaiah. On Aug. 14, 2017 night, Gavisiddaiah had waylaid one B.R. Rajith at Mathuranagar, stabbed him and had made away with Rs. 1 lakh cash and a mobile phone. A case was registered at Metagalli Police Station.

Gavisiddaiah, who had gone absconding, was arrested by the Police near Bannur when he had attempted robbery. Following an investigation, the Police had submitted a charge-sheet to the Court.

Judge Jerald Rudolph Mendoca, who took up the case, heard the arguments from both sides, found the accused guilty of the crime and sentenced him to seven years imprisonment besides imposing a fine of Rs. 3,000.

Public Prosecutor Vasanthi M. Angadi argued on behalf of the Government.

Suicide attempt by Anganwadi worker:
Federation demands action against officials

Sumathi

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (RKB&DM)- The Karnataka State Anganwadi Workers and Helpers Federation has demanded action against officials of Women and Child Welfare Department who were responsible for the suicide attempt by a woman Anganwadi worker at Doddamaragowdanahalli in the taluk.

Addressing a press meet here on Friday, Federation's State Secretary M. Jayamma said that Doddamaragowdanahalli anganwadi worker Sumathi attempted suicide as she was harassed and also frequently transferred. Accusing CDPO Manjula Patil of frequently transferring Sumathi out of personal enmity post the outbreak of the COVID pandemic, she said that the anganwadi worker was also not paid salary for the past 18 months.

Urging for the sacking of Manjula Patil and action against other guilty officials for harassing Sumathi, she said that a complaint has been given to the concerned Minister and the Director in this regard. The anganwadi workers will stage a massive demonstration if action is not taken against guilty officials, Jayamma warned.

Federation office-bearers D. Jagannath, Basavaraju, Sarojamma and Girija were present at the press meet.

Obituary

Mehboob Pasha

Mysuru, Feb. 20 - Mehboob Pasha (60) of Naseeb Electrical and Contractor and a resident of Sawday Road in Mandi Mohalla, passed away yesterday evening in city following a cardiac arrest.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, two daughters, brother, sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held this morning at Dargahi Masjid on Sawday Road, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to family sources.

J. Punit Kumar

J. Punit Kumar (59), son of late B. Jayaprakash of Bombay Indra Bhavan and a resident of KRS Road, opposite Railway Hospital, passed away yesterday night in city.

He was the proprietor of the then Bombay Indras Sweet N Spice on Kalidasa Road and was a senior member of Mysuru Hotel Owners Association and The Cosmopolitan Club, Mysuru.

He leaves behind sons Laksh and Pranav and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites will be performed tomorrow at 10.30 am at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Mysuru Zonal Mock Assembly Session held in city

Democratic system existed even during the times of Buddha: K. Dwarakanath Babu

Students of Law Colleges seen during the Mysuru Zonal Mock Assembly Session organised by KILPR, in association with the city's JSS Law College, at Mysuru ZP Hall yesterday.

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (MTY&DM)- Maintaining that the democratic system is deep-rooted in the country with public support and mandate, Bengaluru's **Karnataka Institute for Law and Parliamentary Reform (KILPR)** Director K. Dwarakanath Babu said that the Parliamentary form of democracy existed during the times of Gautam Buddha.

He was speaking after inaugurating Mysuru Zonal Mock Assembly Session organised by KILPR, in association with the city's JSS Law College, at Mysuru Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Hall here yesterday.

Noting that the youth of today are tomorrow's leaders of the country, Babu said that the KILPR is organising such Mock Assembly Sessions involving students and youth in all the four Revenue Divisions of the State.

Pointing out that a total of 38 students from eight districts coming under Mysuru Division are taking part as representatives of 9 teams in this Mock Assembly Session, he said that 15 best speakers will be selected for taking part in the State-level Session.

Explaining the highlights of the Session, Babu said that the students must have a basic understanding of how to present peoples problems, how to discuss issues, what are the rules and norms, how to arrive at conclusions and such other things and this Session is going to help them in that direction.

Asserting that this is a Government-sponsored programme, the KILPR Director said that problems must be addressed or resolved democratically and transparently. Or else, chaos and unruliness could prevail, he warned.

Continuing, Babu said that one should respect the opinion of others during the Mock Assembly Session. No one either from the Ruling party or the Opposition should lose their cool during discussions, he said adding that the highlights of an Assembly Session's regular features such as Zero Hour, Question Hour, Privilege Motion etc., would be taught to the participants.

JSS Law College Principal Dr. S. Nataraj, in his address, said that the college is hosting this event for the second time.

Clarifying that this is a Zonal-level Mock Session, he said that 15 best participants would be selected for the State-level.

The day-long Session saw the participants discussing a wide range of issues including reservation in jobs and education, COVID issues, development etc.,

A student, who donned the role of an Opposition MLA, said that suicides were rising in the State due to mental stress and depression.

Asking the Government to take the lead in preventing such suicides, he wanted the Government to undertake a study of what could be the reasons for increasing suicidal deaths.

Replying to the Opposition Legislator, the student, who acted as the Health Minister, said that the Government too is concerned about the issue. Funds will be allocated in the next Budget to undertake a study for which a Committee will be constituted, he added.

A student from Mudigere said that all Governmental programmes were urban specific and a re-thinking was needed in this regard. Arguing that more colleges are coming at places where many educational institutions are already there, he wanted the Government to also concentrate on places which are lacking in infrastructure and development.

Responding to this, the student who donned the role of the Chief Minister, said that development will be taken forward in all rural areas too in stages.

The participants also discussed, debated and deliberated on issues concerning Agriculture, Irrigation, Health, Education, Infrastructure Development etc.

Revathi, a girl student from Hassan's Government Law College played the role of Chief Minister, while Puttur's Vivekananda Law College's Ganesh Baliga functioned as the Speaker, Mahantesh of Mysuru's JSS Law College as Deputy Chief Minister and Trishul of the same College as Opposition Leader.

Several other students played the role of Cabinet Ministers, while some others donned the dress of politicians.

At the start of the Mock Session, a one-minute silence was observed as a mark of respect for Poet Channaveera Kanavi, Actors Puneeth Rajkumar and Rajesh, legendary singer Latha Mangeshkar and several other personalities who passed away recently.

The Programme Co-ordinator Nagendra Murthy and others were present.

Prizes distributed to students who excelled

Former MLA Vasu** (third from right) **distributing prizes to the students who excelled in the Mock Assembly Session held at Mysuru ZP Hall yesterday. Others seen are Karnataka Institute for Law and Parliamentary Reform (KILPR) Director K. Dwarakanath Babu, former MLA Thontadarya and JSS Law College Principal Dr. S. Nataraj.

The valedictory of Mysuru Zonal Mock Assembly Session, organised by KILPR in association with the city's JSS Law College, at Mysuru ZP Hall, was held later in the evening.

Presiding over the valedictory, former MLC Thontadarya said that there was an urgent need for Law and Parliamentary reforms and such reforms should begin with us and in our homes.

Pointing out that it is essential for everyone to understand that nation comes first, Thontadarya regretted that problems are only increasing after the country gained independence in 1947.

Contending that correcting the wrongs lies in our own hands, he stressed on the need to ensure that people's power remains in the hands of the people itself.

Recalling his political journey, Thontadarya said that he entered politics after having a brief stint as a Lawyer.

Stating that he spent only Rs. 35 during his first ever election, Thontadarya said that times have completely changed now and people are talking about spending crores of rupees even for minor elections.

Emphasising on the need for Law students to have an independent thinking, he said that they should bear in mind that they are an important part of the society and hence must work for its betterment.

Former MLA Vasu, in his address, said that the contributions made by the erstwhile Mysore Maharajas for the growth of the State remains unmatchable.

Recalling that the city's K.R. Hospital built by the Maharajas over a century ago still remains popular as 'Doddaspatre' among the rural masses, he said that the Hospital is among the many such facilities provided by the erstwhile rulers.

Though he succeeded in bringing many Government Hospitals on KRS Road as Chamaraja MLA earlier, he still feels that all these are insignificant when compared to the contributions of Wadiyars.

Vasu and Thontadarya distributed prizes to the students who excelled in the mock Assembly Session.

TEASER

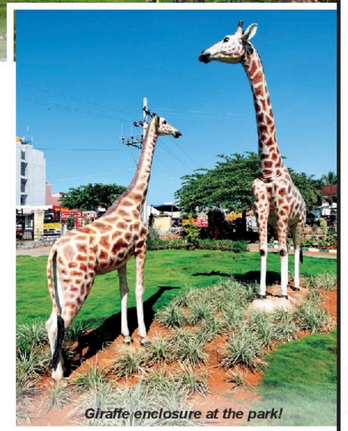
By N. Prakash

Thematic lifelike statuary adorns Public Park

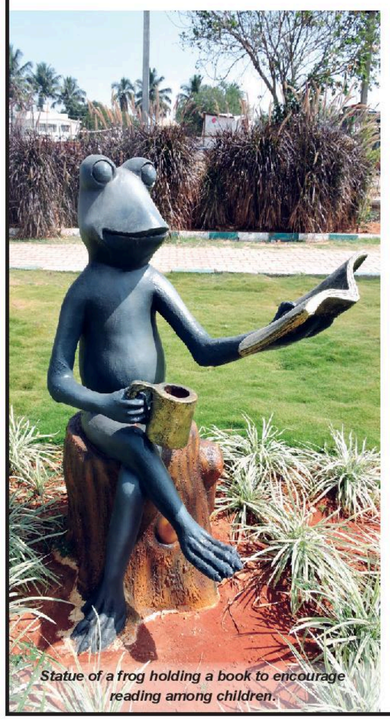
You'll swear they're real!

A view of the renovated and yet-to-be-named park in Rajiv Nagar.

Replica of people from desert plains of Rajasthan migrating with their family and camels.



Giraffe enclosure at the park!



Statue of a frog holding a book to encourage reading among children.

"In the presence of nature, a wild delight runs through the man, in spite of real sorrows." —Ralph Waldo Emerson

By Shadan Muneer

A city with magnificent architecture, a treasure trove of culture, a rich history of royalty and well-planned landscapes interspersed with beautiful lung spaces. Mysuru sure lives up to its sobriquet of Garden City with its well-manicured parks, gardens and popular lakes and natural attractions.

The relationship of Mysureans with public parks runs old. Parks have served as weekend getaways, kids recreational areas and local community-bonding places.

Corporator Ayub Khan

Without debate, creatively designed and well-maintained public parks can surely instil freshness and positivity into our lives. Along with functioning as oxygen generators, the public parks also aid us in maintaining our mental and physical well-being.

Responsible and aware people's representatives play a major role in maintaining and promoting parks in their respective wards. The residents of Rajiv Nagar/ Udayagiri can vouch for this as their Corporator Ayub Khan has wholeheartedly put in enormous efforts to renovate and give a makeover to a public park in their locality. As you approach Al-Badar Mosque in Rajiv Nagar, you are greeted with an oasis of greenery situated opposite the mosque in the form of a public park. Thematic installations of a family moving along with their camels, towering giraffes, crescent moon arrest your attention and please your senses.

Ayub Khan, who is also the former Mayor of Mysuru, deliberating about the transition of this neglected patch of land to its present enviable status, points out that "local public parks are an integral part of a healthy, hygienic and happy locality. You can walk, play, rest, read or just interact with people in these open green spaces which can contribute to the wellness of the society."

The park has been designed and created with amenities to the delight of people of all ages. The fitness enthusiasts can use the well-maintained and clean walking paths for a brisk walk or a jog, children can pound around the open green spaces playing, bookworms can choose a silent zone and indulge in happy reading, the chatter boxes can sit on many benches installed in the park and enjoy peaceful interactions.

As Ayub Khan explains about the conceptualisation of the park, he adds, ***"My aim is to attract the public with creative designs and make them visit the park. It is not like any other namesake park; it has been uniquely designed with a concept in mind. For instance, the statue of a frog reading a book was placed to encourage reading among children."***

As he narrates the beautiful renovation journey of this yet-to-be-named park with lifelike statuary, Ayub Khan adds, "Every locality has mixed sections of people; some areas are congested with narrow lanes that lack open green spaces. Keeping this in mind, I developed the park creatively so that the public do not have to travel too far looking for outdoor fun. I also want to bring in a sense of attachment to nature amongst the local residents."

The ex-Mayor further adds, "Most outdoor attractions come at a high price but parks are free and can be accessed by all. People of all classes can utilise these facilities and have fun."

A walk around the creatively built park will surely make you feel that all the efforts put in to create this serene space is clearly paying dividends.

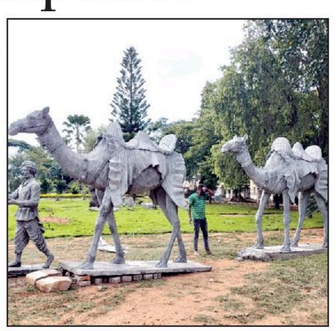
Mehreen, a resident of Rajiv Nagar, excitedly remarks, "This park has immensely benefited me and my family. Earlier I would mainly remain indoors as there were no open spaces that were safe to go; we had to take our kids to far off parks during the weekends. Now that we have our own park, I can freely go for a walk in the morning and send my kids to the park in the evenings as it is a safe place for physical activities. Many children bond together and have fun. It is also very well-maintained."

Ayub Khan has been an active politician for the past 20 years and is responsible for bringing back the concept of development of the parks, re-introducing ornamental poles, bringing in unique styled tiles, and also makeover for Circles that got a tremendously positive response from the public and inspired other Corporators to take up similar ideas for their projects.

Reflecting upon his idea of being a people's representative, he adds: "Most people think that Corporators are only restricted to taking care of lights, roads, drains etc. But I go a step further and do things beyond the Corporation works to serve the public. Politics is a field where we can serve public directly. I always try and work towards developing infrastructure as I feel that improved infrastructure will have a positive impact on people's mentality."

Commenting about the restored park, he satisfyingly says, "I have seen the change in people's behaviour with regard to this park. Earlier when it was lying neglected, some people who visited the park, indulged in illegal activities and now after the park has been renovated, the same people come back with their families and behave responsibly."

The deft hands behind these sculptures



C.S. Devaraj Vajragiri, an alumnus of Kalanikethana School of Arts, Mysuru, who has to his credit sculpting the Gyarah Murti (11 sculptures) in 2011 at Freedom Fighters' Park in Mysuru, is the one who has created these sculptures at Rajiv Nagar park.

Artist Devaraj

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, the artist said, "I, along with my assistants Parashu, Kaladigi, Manju and Karthik, made these sculptures in a span of 3-4 months at our workshop (studio) in Dobbaspet, Tumakuru, where we give shape to bigger sculptures. Later we transported them to Mysuru by trucks and took another 15 days to install them in the park with final finishing touches."

On the idea behind these sculptures, he said: **"Corporator Ayub Khan is a creative person who shared his ideas and we realised his dreams."**

Devaraj, son of Siddegowda and Gangamma couple and a native of Tumakuru, is married to Nandini and has two children. After Diploma in Fine Arts from Kalanikethana, BFA in Gulbarga University and Master of Visual Arts (MVA) at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath in Bengaluru, he is now settled in Bengaluru and runs a studio named **'Vajragiri Art World.'**

Yuva Spandana lends a helping hand to youngsters

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (BCT)- Youths who are getting into the depths of alcoholism, those into drugs and bad company and youths facing depression owing to their family status and condition are being counselled to lead a normal life by Yuva Spandana Counsellors.

For such youths and their families, Yuva Spandana Kendra is a ray of hope and Counsellors usually counsel them to resume a normal life. In cases where intervention is necessary, the affected youths are directed towards de-addiction camps so that they can rise above their mental state to lead a happy life.

The functioning of Yuva Spandana Kendra was brought to the fore at the monthly meeting of the Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) that was held recently under the topic 'Role of Youth Consumer Clubs in Nation Building' where resource person Lathamani, a voluntary worker (Yuva Parivarthakaru) from the Youth Counselling Centre, explained the nature of work done at the counselling centre.

Yuva Spandana is an initiative run by the Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports, Government of Karnataka. It is a boon to many youngsters struggling to gain a footing in life. This programme is youth-friendly, youth-sensitive, youth-oriented and youth-driven. The target age group of beneficiaries of the programme is 15 to 30 years.

Guidance centres

"Yuva Spandana provides support for any youth issue, be it behavioural, mental, social or psychosocial. This support is through guidance or counselling centres called Yuva Spandana Kendras, which are situated in every district," she explained.

A wide range of issues have young minds worried and hassled these days. Like health and lifestyle issues, sexuality, gender problems, relationship issues, personality development insecurities and many more. Such youths reach out to Yuva Spandana and the team offers free counselling sessions, sometimes to their families too. If the need arises, the Counsellors direct them to higher centres of care, she said.

"We counsel and rehabilitate youths who face depression on account of family problems, relationship issues, addiction due to drugs and slowness in reading and grasping subjects. We help them by providing the right path through counselling. Nowadays, we come across several cases of disputes and disagreements in families particularly by the youths, leading to suicides, murders and failures in life," Lathamani explained.

Call Helpline

The district centres including Mysuru have been actively involved in such counselling activities. If anyone comes across such cases, they can contact the district centre on Ph: 0821-2444922 or by email: *yuvaspandana2014.mysore@gmail.com.*

Lathamani can be contacted on Mob: 89708-99453 for help.

Consumer Clubs

Another resource person at the MGP meeting was Basavaraju, Officer from District Yuva Kendra, Mysuru-Mandya, who said that the main purpose of the organisation is to invite younger generations to take up volunteer services in all walks of life.

"We motivate youths to form volunteer organisations like youth associations, NSS, Yuva Kendras, Yuvathi Mahila Mandalis for self-employment associations. Youths in the age group of 18 to 29 years can be in the groups," he said.

Some of the activities to empower the youths include tailoring training, skill development etc., under the Prime Minister's self-employment programme of start-ups. Volunteers are given an honorarium of Rs.5,000 to motivate their skills.

There are also consumer clubs formed from group members who can create awareness on consumer rights and the right to get quality materials.

"Such opportunities to the younger generation can create more local employment opportunities and prevent skilled youths from moving away to far off countries," he explained.

"We also conduct Yuvajanotsava at the district-level to create more awareness about the opportunities available for the skilled, to develop their skills and empower themselves for self-employment. After training them, certificates are issued which will help them secure bank loans for their self-employment projects," he said.

Basavaraju can be contacted on Mob: 94481-75487.

MGP President Dr. B.V. Shivamurthy, S.V. Raghavendra, K.V. Ramanath, V. Viswanathan, S.P.Nanappa, B. Choudhary, Kalpana Viswanathan, B.J. Jwala Suresh, Prof. V. Jagannathan and others were present.

Calling SSLC passed youths to enrol for medical skill training

Mysuru, Feb. 20- Aimed at initialising certification courses in medical training for youths, Lions Club of Mysore North Charitable Trust has set up a Centre of Excellence for Skill Training in association with Clinical Partner Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru.

Affiliated to Healthcare Sector Skill Council, National Skill Development Corporation and Ministry of Skill Development, Government of India and Karnataka Skill Development Corporation, the Centre, located at Belagola Industrial Area and on job training at Manipal Hospitals, will provide certified training for SSLC passed and enable them to take up jobs at various industries.

Speaking on the occasion, District Health Officer Dr. K.H. Prasad called upon youths who have attempted SSLC and looking for employment to come forward to take up these in-depth training and certification courses. This will open job opportunities in various hospital settings, clinics, home care agencies, geriatric care units and other varied fields, he said.

Lions Club of Mysore North Trust Chairman and MLA Tanveer Sait said, "We have always been firm believers of empowering youths. This programme is an amalgamation of industry leaders to provide quality training to the deserving. We urge all the unemployed youths to get trained under this programme."

"As the need for skilled workforce grows in healthcare due to rising demands in pre and post hospitalisation care, it has become imperative to develop the workforce towards this demand. This Centre is a mechanism for imparting job-oriented skills, which serve a major contribution to healthcare needs of community. Manipal Hospitals will be collaborating as a clinical partner and support in providing on the job trainings to nurture the skills set in interested youths," said Dr. Gautam Das, Hospital Director, Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru.

"These courses are pre-designed and simplified so that it can be grasped easily by students. Our aim is to impart training to maximum number of students. These courses cater to the immediate need of the industry, which helps in immediate placement of the students. In all, 102 students have enrolled for the current batch. The initiative is supported by Jaganath, District Skill Development Officer and Deviprasad, Past District Governor, Lions Club of Mysore North," said Dr. Vijay Reddy of Zeus Institute of Healthcare Management Pvt. Ltd.

Hands-on training sessions were organised at the Skill Centre recently on two vital topics which are pivotal to any job in the modern times — first a Basic Life Support Training Session by Nursing Team and second a Fire Safety Training by Facility Team, both by the skilled trainers of Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru.

To enrol, visit ***www.skill-training.in*** or give a missed call/ SMS/ WhatsApp: 99870-12345.

Mysore Varsity, a career hub for aspiring youngsters

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Expressing happiness over the good response received by the Career Hub, University Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar said that students are enthusiastically obtaining the required skills and over 40 percent of the trainees have secured jobs. "The Career Hub improves employability by assisting students to evaluate their skills and helps them understand the importance of upskilling," he said.

Due to COVID, there were not many takers for Career Hub initiatives and gradually, online training was started and the student community enthusiastically responded to the same, Manager of Career Hub Jayashree Krishna told *Star of Mysore*.

Mobile apps using Android

"Training is provided in three stages after understanding the skills required. We have trained over 100 students in KAS, IAS and banking competitive exams. These candidates will have examinations in July and in the next batch, 150 students will be enrolled for career training," she said.

Training is being provided to create mobile apps using Android designs. Apart from the students of University of Mysore, students from its constituent colleges are also taking the benefits of the training. "We are in talks with a few companies and we understand the manpower requirements, types of skill sets. 23 students were given training on those lines and were trained to face interviews. Five of them have been absorbed by a private company," she revealed.

Advanced 'Makers' Lab'

The Design Hub of the Career Hub provides students with state-of-the-art facilities to work on innovative business ideas and create prototypes. "Training is provided based on the interests and ideas of the youths like in hardware and software. An advanced 'Makers' Lab' has been set up at Career Hub and it has international standards. There is a huge demand for 3-D technologies and we will start this training soon," Jayashree Krishna said.

The Career Hub also encourages students for self-employment and finance plays a key role here. "We are in talks with two financial firms in Mysuru and we have got a positive response from them. We will extend the training to rural areas also like in Hassan, Chamarajanagar and Mandya. Two batches will be formed in the coming days and training will be provided from 8 am to 10 am and from 4 pm to 6 pm without affecting their classes," she added.

Town Hall joins list of buildings in peril

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The structure has withstood rain and storms for many decades and a major part of it is leaky and cracks have developed all over the place. There is a gaping crack between the roof and the wall around the building and especially where the stage stands, the wall stands precariously.

Gap between ceiling, wall

The historic steps that led to the stage were used by the likes of former Prime Ministers Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi and now they are in utter neglect. Though plastering work was done to fill the gap between the ceiling and the wall, it has given away in many places reflecting the quality of restoration works undertaken in the past.

The part that needs urgent repairs is the stage and both the right and left side are in danger of collapsing. Continuous seepage of water from the gaps in the ceiling has made the stage creaky and wide cracks are visible all over the place. Wooden doors, windows and other supporting beams have been eaten away by termites and moths.

The Town Hall is a majestic colonial building built in 1884 in memory of Dewan Sir C.V. Rangacharlu, the first Dewan of Mysore Princely State. It was a prominent centre for cultural activities for many decades and now it has been out of bounds for many years.

Contractor abandons project

The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) had planned to renovate the Town Hall and the tender for the project was awarded to a Secunderabad-based Chhabra Associates on April 29, 2011 for Rs. 17.66 crore. Only 30 percent of the works have been completed and as per the agreement reached between the MCC and the contractor, the work should have been completed in 12 months — April 28, 2012.

The beautification plan included creating parking facilities in the basement (multi-level parking), an 1,000-seat capacity open air theatre, landscaping of the entire area, development of the park, illumination, and rainwater harvesting.

Court cases

Like the several restoration projects which were supposed to enhance the beauty of the city are caught in legal wrangles, the Town Hall too was caught in the same issue. As the contractor abandoned the Town Hall renovation works, the MCC went to the Court and filed two cases — one concerning the multi-level parking lot and the other concerning the renovation part.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Corporator Ramesh, who is also the Chairman of the Town Hall Management Committee — which comprises citizens from various fields — said that the MCC's hands were tied as the case is pending in the Court.

"Of the two cases filed, the Court has finished arbitrating on the multi-level parking lot case and the works have now begun. The Court is yet to adjudicate the renovation case and till a decision is taken, nothing can be done," he said. "The Committee has already sent a proposal to the Department of Archaeology and Museums for renovation, electrification, park development and beautification at a cost of Rs. 7 to Rs. 8 crore. The MCC cannot carry out the repairs and can only provide funds. The repairs have to be approved and executed by the Archaeology Department," he added.

As voting begins in Punjab and Uttar Pradesh, Opposition alleges EVM problems

Lucknow/Chandigarh, Feb. 20 - Fifty nine constituencies spread across 16 districts in Uttar Pradesh (UP) are voting in the third phase of polling today. Congress-ruled Punjab is also voting.

UP recorded a voter turnout of 21.18 percent and Punjab 17.77 percent as at 12.30 pm.

Soon after polling began in UP, the Samajwadi Party (SP) alleged discrepancies in an Electronic Voting Machine in Kanpur Rural Assembly seat. The party alleged that even after pressing the button next to SP, the Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) issued a slip of the BJP. They asked the Election Commission to take note of this.

The seats voting today are located in the west, central and southern parts of Uttar Pradesh.

All eyes are on the Karhal seat in Mainpuri district from where SP chief Akhilesh Yadav is contesting his first State election against BJP's S.P. Singh Baghel.

Punjab which saw high voltage political drama recently, went to polls in a single phase today to elect 117 members to the State Assembly. Prominent faces are Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi from the Chamkaur Sahib seat, Navjot Singh Sidhu against SAD's Bikram Singh Majithia from the Amritsar East seat, AAP's CM candidate Bhagwant Mann from Dhuri, Captain Amarinder Singh from Patiala, Sukhbir Singh Badal from Jalalabad Assembly Constituency, Parkash Singh Badal from the Lambi seat, Ganieve Kaur Majithia from the Majitha seat and Harsimrat Kaur Badal from the Bathinda seat.

Teachers' counselling

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SSM)- The counselling for request transfers and mutual transfers of Government Primary and High School teachers of Mysuru Division will be held from tomorrow (Feb. 21) to Feb. 23.

Teachers attending the counselling must carry online transfer application confirmation letter from Block Education Officer (BEO), passport size photos, original service confirmation letter, permanent pre-service confirmation letter and transfer request application with supporting documents.

Eligible teachers must be present for counselling at 10 am at the office of the Divisional Secretary, Department of Public Instruction, located on D. Subbaiah Road in city, according to a press release.

Thanksgiving

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified loved and preserved throughout the world. Sacred Heart of Jesus thy Kingdom come. Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on us,

St. Jude the helper of the hopeless cases, pray for us. Say this prayer for nine times for nine days, Your prayer will be answered by the eighth day. Publication must be promised.

—Purnima Devendra

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WORD OF THE DAY

Fastidious

Pronunciation: fass-TID-ee-us.
Meaning: Fastidious means "showing extreme care when doing something." Less commonly, it may be used to describe a person who is difficult to please.
Origin: Fastidious comes from Latin fastidium, meaning "aversion" or "disgust." Fastidium is believed to be a combination of fastus, meaning "arrogance," and taedium, "irksomeness" or "disgust." (Taedium is also the source of tedium and tedious.) In keeping with its Latin roots, fastidious once meant "haughty," "disgusting," and "disagreeable," but the word is now most often applied to people who are very meticulous or overly difficult to please, or to work which reflects a demanding or precise attitude.
Example: "Curran kept fastidious notes on woolly-bear coloration in an attempt to link them to weather patterns." — Jim McCormac

THE ODD WORD

Fabulist

One who invents fables.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Fly off the handle

Meaning: To indicate that someone has become irrationally angry due to a complete loss of self-control.
Origin: "Fly off the Handle" is an American phrase that alludes to the way that an axe head can fly off its handle if it becomes loose. The expression was first seen in print in 1834, in Thomas C. Haliburton's The Attaché; or, Sam Slick in England: "He flies right off the handle for nothing."
Example: 'Try not to make Sam mad. He has a tendency to fly off the handle at the slightest provocation.'

QUOTE BOX

It is not the employer who pays the wages. Employers only handle the money. It is the customer who pays the wages. **—Henry Ford**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Step sister.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Snow runner
4 Polluted air
8 Jane Austen novel
12 Library, abbr.
13 Rahu's counterpart
14 Liquid measure
15 Salad dressing (5,3)
17 Predatory black-and-white toothed whale
18 Provide with
19 Army rank, in short
21 Moistened
23 Japanese hostess
27 "Sad" change for newspaper revenue ?
30 Full stop mark
32 Archaically afloat
33 Ninnies - "asps" anagram?
35 Soft food for infants
37 ____ away with : got rid of, squandered or killed?
38 Driving force
40 Drop bait lightly
42 Writing instrument
43 Divine beverage
45 Scottish river
47 Scheme or plot
49 More recent
53 Mumbai suburb
56 NE US state
58 Internet patron
59 Common metal
60 Asian honorific
61 Plantation in "Gone With The Wind"
62 One of the United States
63 High speed diesel, in short

DOWN
1 Kind of gin
2 Furnace for calcining lime or for burring pottery
3 Footnote note?
4 Took an oblique turn
5 Medium Earth Orbit
6 Ear-related
7 Russian prison camp
8 Boastfulness; selfishness
9 Russian space station
10 Member of the Legislative Council, in short
11 __ __ mode : in this fashion or style (1,2)
16 Pledge
20 Irritant for a princess
22 ___ drawer : high social position or origin?
24 Switch or transpose
25 Conceal
26 So be it!
27 Org.
28 Fruit of the palm
29 Plan detail
31 Small child
34 Mountain range in Central India
36 Cavity or hole
39 Prefix meaning "bad" or "defective"
41 Tropical fruit
44 In a circle, they are half diameter in length
46 Evergreen tree
48 Roman emperor
50 Use soap and water?
51 Makes a mistake
52 John ____ : ex-New Zealand cricket captain?
53 __ out : protrude outward
54 Superpower nation
55 Personal pronoun
57 Not high or tall

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

R	A	N	G	■	I	M	P	S	■	C	A	R
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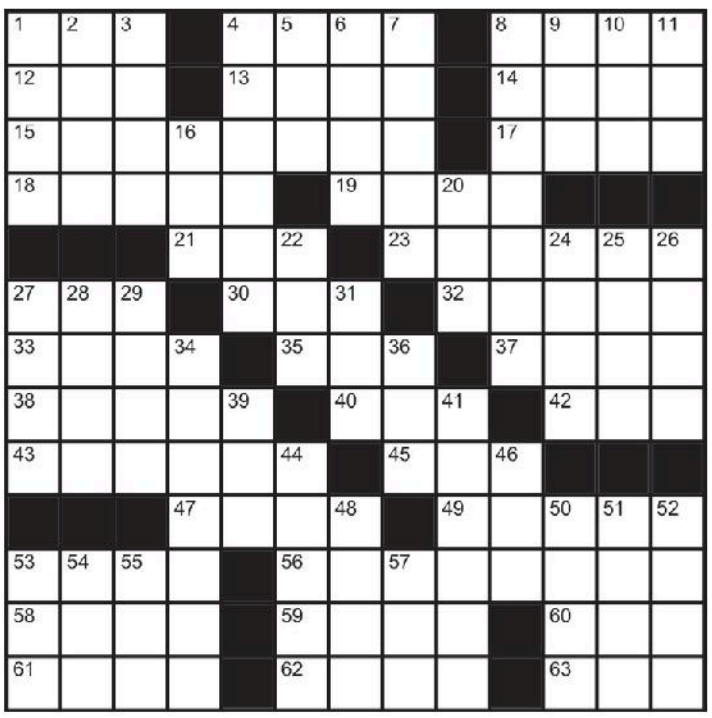

SUDOKU

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		7	3			2	5	
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Answer to previous puzzle

2	4	6	3	7	5	9	8	1
7	3	1	8	2	9	4	5	6
9	8	5	4	6	1	3	7	2
4	5	8	9	3	2	6	1	7
6	2	7	1	4	8	5	9	3
3	1	9	6	5	7	8	2	4
5	9	4	2	1	6	7	3	8
1	7	3	5	8	4	2	6	9
8	6	2	7	9	3	1	4	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

YK KGVQO VK VFQ FKXBQ KG VFL GCTQOP; GKC

EQQPB BKKO MFKWQ XI VFQ XOXBQP IZVF.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: When kindness comes at the expense of truth, it is not a kindness worth having.

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  By Two Love (K) 4 Shows
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  Bahukrita Vesham (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
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- **Balaji Theatre** — Ph: 2497199
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Love Mocktail 2 (K)	(S-1)	10.20 am, 1.15 pm, 4.10 pm 7.05 pm, 10.00 pm
By Two Love (K)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 4.30 pm
	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Garudaksha (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Uncharted (E)	(S-2)	7.30 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am, 1.40 pm
Bahukrita Vesham (K)	(S-3)	10.15 am
Bhavachitra (K)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Majestic (K)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Varada (K)	(S-3)	7.05 pm
Before You Die (H)	(S-4)	4.35 pm
Neyyattinkara Gopante Aarattu (Ma)	(S-4)	6.45 pm, 9.55 pm

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Love Mocktail 2 (K)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 3.45 pm, 9.45 pm
	(S-2)	12.50 pm, 6.55 pm
	(S-3)	8.45 pm
Uncharted (E)	(S-1)	12.55 pm, 6.55 pm
	(S-2)	9:55 pm
	(S-4)	9.45 am
Gilky (K)	(S-4)	12.35 pm
Bytwo Love (K)	(S-2)	9.50 am; (S-3) 5.35 pm
Majestic (K)	(S-3)	2.15 pm
Varada (K)	(S-4)	3.35 pm
Neyyattinkara Gopante Aarattu (Ma)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Bhavachitra (K)	(S-4)	6.35 pm
Bahukrutha Vesham (K)	(S-3)	11.15 am
Badhaai Do (H)	(S-2)	3.50 pm

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Uncharted (E)	11.00 am, 1.45 pm, 4.30 pm 7.15 pm, 10.00 PM
Neyyattinkara Gopante Aaraattu (Ma)	3.15 pm, 9.45 pm
By Two Love (K)	12.10 pm, 6.50 pm
Before You Die (H)	3.50 pm, 9.30 pm
Bhavachitra (K)	6.15 pm
Son Of India (Te)	9.55 pm
Varada (K)	12.35 pm
Gilky (K)	12.45 pm
DJ Tillu (Te)	3.35 pm
Khiladi (Te)	6.25 pm

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Love Mocktail 2 (K)	9.40 am, 11.45 am, 12.45 pm, 2.50 pm 3.50 pm, 5.55 pm, 6.55 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm
By Two Love (K)	10.25 am, 3.20 pm
Majestic (K)	12.15 pm
Uncharted (E)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.00 pm, 9.45 pm
Varada (K)	6.30 pm
DJ Tillu (Te)	9.30 pm

MVC MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Maha Rowdram (K)	(S-1)	10.50 am
Varada (K)	(S-1)	1.15 pm; (S-4) 7.00 pm
By Two Love (K)	(S-1)	4.00 pm, 9.15 pm
	(S-3)	10.40 am, 1.30 pm
Bahukritha Vesham (K)	(S-1)	6.45 pm
Love Mocktail 2 (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7 pm
	(S-3)	9.15 pm
Uncharted (E)	(S-3)	4.15 pm, 6.15 pm
Garudaksha (K)	(S-4)	10.45 am
Majestic (K)	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Gilky (K)	(S-4)	4.15 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Vidu. Shivani performs in city

Vidu. Shivani Mirajkar from Dharwad presenting a vocal concert at Suttur Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill in city on Feb. 16, as part of the 239th edition of monthly moonlight music programme which was telecast live online. She is accompanied by Pt. Bhimashankar Bidanur on tabla, Bhoomika Mata on tambura and Pt. Veerabhadriah Hiremath on harmonium.

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 20)

- **Sahara Art And Crafts:** Shopping Festival, Handicraft and Handloom Expo-cum-Sale, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC office, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **T. Narayana Shastry Pratisthanam:** Anthyakshari, Vid. H.L. Chidambara Bhatta, Sanskrit Scholar, Mysuru, inaugurates, T.N. Saraswathi, Convenor, Surabhi Mathru Mandali, Turuvekere, presides, Ganesha Hall, #854 Panchamanthra Road, Kuvempunagar, **4 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Himalaya Pratishtana:** Sri Patanjali Maharshi's Samsmaranotsava, conferring of 'Yoga Vibhushana' award on Srinivasa Arka Guruji and 'Yoga Bhushana' award on Dr. Devaki Madhav, Geetha Kumar, M.P. Vijay Kumar, Narasimha Shetty, Rakesh Jain and Ravi Prabhakar; Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa inaugurates, MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah offers floral tributes to the portrait of Sri Patanjali Maharshi, senior social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee presides, Sri Somashekara Swamiji graces the occasion, Mysore Yoga Association Vice-President Yogaprakash delivers keynote address, District Kannada Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm.**
- **Vishwajnani Samskrutika Kala Trust, Kollegal:** Valedictory of Folk Dance Training Camp, folk songs singing programme and Kamsale & Kolata dance presentation, Rajiv Gandhi Open Air Theatre, Dhvanyaloka, Bogadi Road, **4.30 pm.** [Mob: 80504-09543]
- **Swara Sankula Sangeeta Sabha:** Hindustani Music Concert by Pt. Vijay Kumar Patil, Dharwad, accompanied by Pt. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath on harmonium and Pt. Bheemashankar Bidanur on tabla, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Yavanika, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Ondu Sanna Aata,' Direction: Srikantaswamy, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **GPIER theatre troupe, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Karula Teppada Mele' based on Khushwant Singh's 'Train to Pakistan,' Direction: M.P. Hari Datta Aramane Nagari, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.** [Mob: 90193-70060]
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Krishnegowdana Aane' by junior repertory artistes; Story: Poornachandra Tejaswi; Direction: R. Nagesh; Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of play 'Mruchchakatika,' Direction: Mandya Ramesh, School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Grama Rangotsava at K. Hemmanahalli

- **Rangayaana Trust, Mysuru and Karnataka Nataka Academy, Bengaluru:** Valedictory of two-day *Grama Rangotsava-2022*, Kannada & Culture Joint Director Mallikarjunaswamy, B.M. Ramachandra of Rajeshwari Vasthralankara, Karnataka Nataka Academy Member Radha Kodagu and others will be present; Mythological theatre songs by K. Hemmanahalli artistes, **1 pm;** Staging of mythological play 'Shivakumara mattu Valli Parinaya' by K. Hemmanahalli's Mahalingeshwara Seva Samiti, K. Hemmanahalli, Gaddige Road, Mysuru taluk, **2 pm to 10 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 21)

- **Basudeva Somani College:** Special lecture programme - World Social Justice, Dr. M. Puttaswamy, President and Managing Trustee, The Institute of Education Trust, inaugurates, Devaraj Bhute, Senior Civil Judge and Member-Secretary, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Kuber P. Gowda, Secretary and Managing Trustee, The Institute of Education Trust and Prabha Puttaswamy, Managing Trustee, The Institute of Education Trust, chief guests, Dr. S.S. Raje Urs, Principal, Basudeva Somani College, presides, Dr. T. Ramesh, Assistant Professor and NSS Programme Officer, programme convenor, College auditorium, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.**
- **Sahara Art and Crafts:** Shopping Festival, Handicraft and Handloom Expo-cum-Sale, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Ankura (Sahitya Balaga) and Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS):** University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar releases writer Dr. H.T. Krishnegowda's six books, KIKS Director Prof. M.G. Manjunath presides, writer and former English faculty Prof. D.A. Shankar, veteran writer Prof. C.P. Krishnakumar and former Kannada faculty Prof. N.S. Taranath chief guests, B.M. Shri auditorium, KIKS, Manasagangothri, **11 am.**
- **Abhiyenthararu - A theatre for Engineers, Mysuru:** Rangabhoomiyatta... theatre training camp, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President Maddikere Gopal inaugurates, senior theatre person Rajashekar Kadamba, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa, film and theatre director Rajendra Karanth and senior theatre artiste Indira Nayar will be present, District Kannada Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **5 pm.**

Young Scientist

B. Samarth

Mysuru, Feb. 20- B. Samarth, a X std. student of Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala, who participated in the District-level Young Scientist 2020-21 Award contest organised by Karnataka Rajya Vignana Parishad on Feb.17, has secured second place and selected to take part in State-level Young Scientist Award.

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Puneri Paltan — 7.30 pm

Eliminator 2
Gujarat Giants Vs
Bengaluru Bulls — 8.30 pm

Yesterday's Results

Patna Pirates	30
Beat	
Haryana Steelers	27
Gujarat Giants	36
Beat	
U Mumba	33
Jaipur Pink Panthers	30
Lose to	
Puneri Paltan	37

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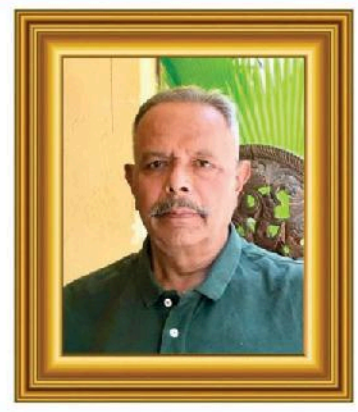

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